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You are hereby notified that the Court has entered the following order:

No. 2021AP1450-OA Johnson v. Wisconsin Elections Commission

Pending before the court is an original action filed by petitioners, Billie Johnson, et al. In accordance with the terms of this court's November 17, 2021 order and its opinion filed November 30, 2021, <u>Johnson v. Wisconsin Elections Commission</u>, 2021 WI 87, proposed remedial maps were filed on December 15, 2021, responses were filed on December 30, 2021, and reply briefs were filed on January 4, 2022. The court accepted two non-party briefs amicus curiae by order dated January 5, 2022.

The parties and their experts have provided the court with proposed maps, as well as data and analysis, offering arguments and expert opinions as to the relative merits of the various proposed maps evaluated against a number of metrics and measures. These data and the expert comparative analyses are of critical importance in permitting the court to complete its task.

In the visual aids submitted to the court, namely the images of the proposed maps, the parties use, inter alia, different templates, legends, scale and sizes, and depict boundary lines differently to visually display their various proposed maps. Some parties provided helpful "inserts" reflecting enlarged views of more complex regions such as Madison and Milwaukee.

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These images are helpful, but the court has determined that it would further benefit from receiving standardized versions of the current maps enacted into law in 2011, 2011 Wis. Act 44 and 2011 Wis. Act 43, and the parties' respective proposed maps. The court believes that its discussions and argument will be facilitated by having uniform images of the parties' respective proposed maps that are produced on the same template of the same size, and with the same types of boundary designations, labels, legend, and other features capable of uniform presentation. Each map shall clearly and in a uniform manner indicate which party submits it.

Accordingly, the parties are directed to convene and agree upon a standard template, size, resolution and other uniform guidelines to which each party will adhere in submitting their proposed maps in the uniform revised format. The parties should confirm whether the "standardized" template map reflects border changes that have occurred since 2011; the court seeks to confirm that the proposed map derives from the same underlying baseline. The court requests full page enlarged views of Madison, Milwaukee, Eau Claire/Chippewa Falls, and Green Bay/Fox Cities. To the extent that some parties provided visual images at higher resolution of other regions to identify specific differences between plans, those will be considered and need not be resubmitted. These uniform maps should be submitted to the court as .pdf documents capable of enlargement. Additionally, copies of these uniform maps should be submitted to the court in paper and on transparency sheets that can be overlain to highlight differences between and among the maps. Therefore,

IT IS ORDERED that the parties are directed to convene and agree upon a standard template, resolution and other uniform guidelines to which each party will adhere in submitting their proposed maps in the uniform revised format consistent with the terms of this order;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that by 4:00 p.m. on January 14, 2022 the parties shall submit uniform versions of their proposed maps as .pdf documents capable of enlargement;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that each party's uniform map submission may be accompanied by a cover letter not to exceed five pages if a monospaced font is used or 1,100 words if a proportional serif font is used, addressing only critical issues that may have been identified when converting the maps from the original format to the standardized format; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the electronic filings in this matter shall be filed as an attachment in .pdf format to an email addressed to clerk@wicourts.gov. See Wis. Stat. §§ 809.70, 809.80 and 809.81. The paper originals, transparency originals, and 17 copies of each must be received by the clerk of this court by 9:00 a.m. of the business day following submission by email, with the paper document bearing the following notation on the top of the first page: "This document was previously filed via email."

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